

Amendments to the Specification:

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ABSTRACT

~~The present invention relates to an~~An illumination system (300) comprising~~includes~~ a light guide (302) having an entrance face, an exit face and an aperture in which a light source (304) can be arranged; and a display system comprising ~~such an illumination system (300). The idea of the present invention is that various~~ Various elements (306, 307) are arranged in the light guide (302) to increase the angle of light beams incident in the light guide (302) with respect to the optical axis ~~(304)~~ of the system (300) and to create a homogeneous illumination at the exit face of the light guide (302). ~~The present invention is advantageous, since the claimed illumination system (300) decreases~~ With this arrangement, the length of a given light guide (302) is reduced, making the illumination system (300) smaller, lighter and more compact with even illumination and a high optical efficiency. The illumination system can be included in a display system.

~~Fig. 3.~~